MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER (*Secretary to Government*): Endeavours made so far to acquire a suitable site have not proved successful.

MR. K. A. MATHEW: Will the Honourable member be pleased to give us some idea as to the endeavours made to secure a bus stand at Tiruvalla?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: The Director of Transport fixed up a site. But it so happened that it belonged to a Seminary. Therefore we have to locate a new site.

MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: May I know whether Government are aware that much inconvenience is caused to the public for want of bus stand?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: Government are aware of that and have already hired a private building. A new site will be selected and arrangements also made for the purpose in view.

MR. M. K. NILAKANTAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kunnattur*): May I know whether any shed has been put up between Kottarakara and Kottayam?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: There is no shed.

Transport bus accident.

59. * MR. P. KOCHUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Tiruvalla*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have enquired into the case of the Transport bus accident on the Changanacherry-Tiruvalla road near Idinjillom on 11-4-1121; and

(*b*) if so, the cause of the accident?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Careless and negligent driving.

MR. P. KOCHUKRISHNA PILLAI: May I know whether the driver concerned is still in service?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: No, he was dismissed?

MR. K. A. MATHEW: May I know the action taken?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: I said that he was dismissed from service.

State Transport buses.

60. *MR. K. K. CHELLAPPAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether State Transport buses start at regular intervals from all important centres is notified in papers;

(*b*) if the answer to (*a*) is in the negative, the reasons therefor;

(*c*) whether the Government are aware that there is intolerable overcrowding in the State Transport buses even at present; and

(*d*) whether the Government have enquired into the question of overcrowding in buses with a view to check it, and if so with what result?

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